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FANWOOD

The bustling activities of Commencement Week are now a thing of the past, and with most all the school personnel and the pupils away for the summer, a quiet serenity has settled around old Fanwood, as if resting for a while to store up unseen energy for the Fall term in September.

Graduation Day dawned bright and clear, and the exercises were appropriately held in the open air on the lawn and tennis court east of the Academic Building. A platform had been previously erected and was nicely decorated with blooming mountain laurel and palms. A wide awning overhead connected it with a large canopy tent, under which were seats for the parents of the pupils and other invited guests.

At three o'clock the procession of graduates, headed by Supt. Skyberg and the Hon. Jacob Livingston from the Senate of the State of New York, started from the Main Building, followed by the members of the Academic and Vocational Staffs, and proceeded to the west lawn. After all were seated, the graduation exercises began with the Invocation, and then the Salute to the Colors. The address by Mr. Livingston was very interesting and instructive, with Supt. Skyberg interpreting in his usual very clear sign delivery. The message from the Board of Directors, delivered by Mr. John S. Rogers, was also well received. Supt. Skyberg again acting as interpreter. Stenographic notes of both addresses were made, and will be published in a future issue.

The certificates to the graduating class and prizes to the winners were presented by Mr. Laurent C. Deming, of the Board of Directors, who is Chairman of the Executive Committee. A new award was made for the first time, being a beautiful silver cup mounted on an ebony base, and known as the Myrna Nathanson Memorial, presented annually by Mr. Mortimer L. Nathanson of Brooklyn, in memory of his mother. It is to be conferred on the boy possessing the most outstanding qualities in character and scholarship as well as marked ability in athletics, and was awarded to Anthony Lodese.

Mr. Nathanson was unable to be present, but sent the following telegram:

Victor O. Skyberg, Supt., New York School for the Deaf:

Exceedingly regret impossibility for me to be present at your School ceremonies next Friday, due to very important engagement in Chicago that day. It was my most earnest desire to be present especially because of the first presentation of Myrna Nathanson Memorial award. Please convey to the cadet receiving this trophy my most sincere best wishes for his future success and happiness. To you and the School's directors I desire to express my appreciation for permitting this annual award to be made and hope that we will be present to see many more of these awards made in the future.

As several of the cadets about to graduate were former pupils of the Lexington School at 904 Lexington Avenue, the following letter was read, which was sent from East Hardwick, Vt., by a former teacher:

Dear "904" Boys of the Graduating Class:

I wish to send you my congratulations upon completing your course of study, and you may be sure my good wishes for your future success go with you in whatever line of work or study that you decide to take up. I think of you, in a way, as my boys and I trust that the ideals and standards which have been set for you during your school days may still be yours.

Affectionately,

E. FRANCES HANCOCK.

The exercises were brought to a close with the Benediction by Rev. M. A. Purtell, S. J., after which, the Provisional Company of cadets gave an exhibition of company manouvres on the parade ground that elicited much applause for their skill and precision. The day ended when the bugler sounded Taps, and brought Fanwood's one hundred and eighteenth year to a close. And in the evening the skies opened, the rains fell and the floods came, covering the tennis court with a pool of water, but happily the Commencement Week was over.

The June 16 issue of *Spokes*, the organ of the Rotary Club of New York, had the following:

TROPHY WON BY SKYBERG'S BOYS

Saturday evening, June 6th, the Provisional Company of the New York School for the Deaf gained an outstanding victory over the Calvary Battalion and the Knights of the Blessed Sacrament at the First Annual Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps Competition and Cadet Corps Competitive Drill, sponsored by Battery E, 105th Field Artillery, N. Y. N. G.

For minutes at a time they performed as one, never hesitating, never faltering, ever forward, ever onward, as they scored 99 out of a possible 100 per cent.

The New York School for the Deaf, of which Rotarian Skyberg is the Superintendent, is now the proud possessor of the beautiful silver cup which the Bronx Rotary contributed for the contest.

The 118th annual graduation exercises of the New York School for the Deaf were held last Friday afternoon on the lawn adjoining the school, when during a most impressive ceremony fifteen young men received their diplomas and were given words of encouragement for future success.

This year brings to a close the first school year of the only school for deaf boys exclusively in the United States.

A belated account of the school's picnic is given herewith:

On Monday, June 8th, at nine o'clock, seven buses and numerous private cars started out for the annual picnic. As usual the gala event was held at the site of the proposed school grounds in beautiful White Plains, N. Y.

There, aided by the holiday-like weather and country environment, the happy throng partook of a typical camp feast. Delightfully cool punch, deliciously hot frankfurters, large juicy hamburgers, ice-cream and dainty cookies composed the menu.

In passing, special commendation must go to Mr. Gruber who strived gallantly to make a respectable fire worthy of the food. That he failed was of no significance for Major Altenderfer saved the day with a roaring fire that well cared for the food.

The teachers and pupils alike joined in impromptu games which aided to create fond memories of a day well spent.

Several of the students brought back souvenirs of the day in the shape of turtles, crawfish, grasshoppers and wild flowers that adorned the spacious grounds.

Several expeditionary parties were investigating the far corners of the field and only the aroma of the coffee penetrating the air brought them hurrying back to the grounds.

At 4:30 P.M., amid joyous laughter and happy chattering, the party retreated to the chartered buses and then back to Fanwood.

One of the most enjoyable affairs during Commencement week was the Superintendent's Reception for the staff and graduates on Tuesday evening, June 9th. The boys large recreation room was decorated with colored streamers, balloons, and dimmed lights which shed a soft effect on the whole and gave the appearance of an indoor lawn party. In the center of the room, set in a circle of potted palms, was a six-piece orchestra that furnished the music for a program of twelve dances. The invited guests were our graduates and staff, and the graduates and staff of the Lexington School. There were about a hundred and fifty present and the waxed floor was an excellent inducement to dance. Grape juice with mint leaves was served between dances. At ten-thirty a grand march was formed, which led all to the South Wing, where ice-cream and cakes were served, and the rest of the time spent in social conversation until near midnight when the happy occasion came to a close.

Arrangements have been completed with the Clark Settlement, New York City, to receive a group of our pupils at their camp in Copake, N. Y., for the summer. These boys will leave for camp on July 1st. Mr. Rudolph Gamblin of our supervisory staff, Mr. Norman Brown, a student at Gallaudet College, and Cadet Meyer Russo will act as counselors. The School will therefore not have any pupils in attendance until September. Enrolments for the camp have been completed and our quota is now full.

New York City Notes

On Sunday afternoon, June 14th, the members of the Friendly Circle, formerly known as the Jolly Jabber Club, gathered at the home of Miss Gladys Williams to tender a surprise birthday party to Mrs. Ida Klopsch, who on June 12th reached another milestone in the journey of life. Mrs. Klopsch was taken by surprise and was the recipient of many useful and beautiful gifts. After a bounteous dinner served at 6 o'clock, the table was cleared for a game of Radio Pinochle, the winners being Mrs. Klopsch, Mrs. Hering and Paul Eberhard. Those present beside Mrs. Klopsch and Miss Williams were Mr. and Mrs. John Darling and children, Lucille, Jack and Edmond, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Eberhard and son Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hering and John Maier.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Lewis of Yonkers accompanied the latter's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Peters and her daughter, Miss Louise Burton, all of Washington, D. C., on an auto trip to Montreal via Providence, Boston, through New Hampshire and Vermont, returning via Lake George and Albany last week.

New York City was rather well represented at the Gallaudet Alumni Reunion held in Washington, D. C., last week. Among those noted there were Dr. Fox, Dr. and Mrs. Nies, Mrs. DeLaura, Misses Dorothy Havens, Ione Dibble, Messrs. R. Gamblin, M. Santin, N. Brown, E. Bloom Jr., G. Lynch, D. Morrill, F. Ascher and M. L. Kenner.

The meeting of the Greater New York Branch of the N. A. D. at the Union League rooms on Tuesday evening, June 24th, was attended by over 500 people. National President Kenner made a report of his trip to Washington, D. C., to see the Post Office Department and P. W. A. heads about employment for the deaf. Details will be published next week.

NEW YORK CITY

BUS EXCURSION TO THE GALLAUDET HOME

After two months of planning by Mr. Harry Jackson, chairman, and his assistants, Messrs. Charles Terry and Charles Wiemuth, the Men's Club bus excursion to the Gallaudet Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes came off according to schedule on Saturday, June 20th. Two large buses and one private car left St. Ann's Church for the Deaf at intervals between 8:30 and 9:30 in the morning, carrying a total of nearly eighty passengers. The late start was due to a mistake on the part of the bus company, which sent a bus of the wrong size, and a large one had to be substituted. Once on the road, the buses made good time in getting to Wappingers Falls, N. Y., making the seventy-five mile journey in three hours. At the Home, the old folks had finished their midday meal and were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the first bus. Private cars had already brought about ten people from other points of the compass.

The first thing after arrival was lunch in picnic style on the grounds of the Gallaudet Home. Everybody had brought a box of sandwiches and fruit, or sauerkraut, or baked beans, and at the Home a counter had been set up where coffee, ice-cream, and boiled eggs were for sale. The lunch took a considerable interval of time, as the ride has worked up an appetite in each of the visitors.

After lunch, chairs were set out in rows on the lawn, and an Open Air Service was held to commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Gallaudet Home at its present site.

The prayers were said by the Rev. Guilbert C. Braddock, of St. Ann's Church. Psalm 121 was sung by Misses Eleanor Sherman and Anna Klaus, of the choir of St. Ann's. One of the residents of the Gallaudet Home, Miss Margaret Boyd, sang the hymn "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and the Rev. Mr. Braddock gave a brief address on the founding and purpose of the Home. Mrs. Johanna Jaynes sang "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," before the closing prayers. Then pictures were taken of the visiting party on the front lawn by Mr. Jackson and Mr. Alex Smith. Souvenir booklets containing an illustrated history of the Gallaudet Home were distributed to the members of the bus excursion. The contents are reprinted on another page.

Among the visitors from upstate were Mr. and Mrs. Eli Ellis of Walden, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Harold McQuade of Albany, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wasserman of Amsterdam, N. Y. From Yonkers, a private car driven by Mr. Quinlan brought Mr. J. P. Radcliffe, Mrs. J. N. Funk, and the Funk children. The Gilberts of Amityville, L. I., also drove their own car to the Gallaudet Home.

The buses departed from the Home at 5:30 P.M., after a most enjoyable afternoon had been spent with the old folks. The ice-cream sold as long as it lasted in the brilliant sunshine. The visitors finished their lunch on the buses en route to New York City. St. Ann's Church was reached by the first bus about 8:30 o'clock.

The Men's Club of St. Ann's Church sponsored the excursion, as has been the custom for years. Any profit made from the excursion will no doubt be reserved for Christmas presents to the old folks at the Home.

OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to Mr. Wm. T. Uren, School for the Deaf, Columbus, Ohio.

Messrs. Flood, Jacobson, Moore and Kennedy have more time to spare, now that the Ohio State University has finished its Spring Quarter. They all passed their final examinations, and also Miss Buster, our teacher of sewing.

Mr. Kennedy left for a tour of New York State and New Jersey. Mr. Moore is resting up at his farm with his wife and little daughter. Miss Buster left for her home in Kansas City.

Mr. Philip Holdren is working at several different bakeries in Columbus during the summer vacation. In this manner he hopes to pick up experience in the baking business as it is run in the large baking shops. When the school opens in the fall, he intends to use this experience in teaching the business to pupils in the school bakery.

The Rev. Almo gave services at the Trinity Church on Sunday June 7. He had given services at Newark the night before. The Bishop of the Ohio diocese wants the Rev. Almo to be the regular minister for the deaf in his district. The Ohio deaf are to pay Rev. Almo's salary. If this is done the Bishop has offered to pay the expenses. The plan for paying the Rev. Almo's salary is, each deaf resident of Ohio, or I mean those who are church goers, are expected to pay ten cents a week, or \$5 a year toward the Salary Fund. If enough to pay the minister's salary is assured, then the Rev. Almo will be appointed to the Ohio diocese as minister to the deaf.

The Rev. Almo is now holding services in various cities, and trying to get the deaf interested in the idea of their own minister. He will hold services in the following cities on the dates mentioned: Springfield Church of Christ, 8 P.M., June 23d. Dayton Church of Christ, 8 P.M., June 24th. Piqua, St. James Church, June 25th, 7:45 P.M., Middleton, Ascension Church 8 P.M., June 26th. Cincinnati Church of Christ, 8 P.M., June 28th. Columbus Trinity Church, 11 A.M., July 5th.

I have seen the Rev. Almo conduct services and think he gives his sermon very beautifully. The Ohio deaf are indeed fortunate in having the chance of securing him as their minister. We have no minister at present and we need one badly.

Mr. Ohlemacher is at his old job, now that the school is closed. He is calling the strikes and balls on the baseball diamonds of the Columbus recreational dept. Mr. Ohlemacher has been doing this for several years and is much in demand. His style of umpiring seems to be well liked.

Miss Betty Neutzling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Neutzling, was graduated from the Bexley High School a few weeks ago. The Neutzlings have a son studying at the Ohio State University. They are very proud of the excellent showing of their children in the quest for knowledge.

Mr. Otto Seidowski secured work with a firm of painters when the school closed for the summer. The work he was doing was completed last week and Mr. Seidowski was laid off, as he was no longer needed. The following Monday he secured a position with some other firm in the place of Mr. Joe Neutzling, who had been ordered to quit work by the doctor. Mr. Neutzling was not used to the changing weather and had caught a bad cold. The doctor ordered him to take a long rest, or he would be unable to return to teach shoemaking at the school in the fall.

A Mr. Jacobs, a student in Galaudet College, stopped over in Columbus to visit his college chum, Lyn Miller. Mr. Jacobs was on his way to his home in California.

An article in the *Ohio State Journal* told of the death of the son

of the late Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Mann in Chicago following an operation. He was a member of the class of 1900 of Kenyon College, and all know his father had a national reputation as a deaf missionary, being located at Cleveland, and conducted services in Columbus quite often. A window in the Trinity Parish House was given by the Columbus deaf in his father's memory.

The writer journeyed to Akron on June 14th to attend the rally of the Motorists Assn. and give a talk to the deaf, warning them against the idea of starting automobile insurance of their own. The writer stressed the fact that we live in a hearing world and should be as much like the hearing as possible to be able to hold our own. By starting our own insurance companies, societies and other organizations in which the hearing world have no part, we are putting ourselves into a world of our own. We should strive to avoid this, if we do not then we should not be surprised if another bill is introduced into Congress to colonize the deaf. The Ohio Deaf Motorists Assn. is striving to make the automobile insurance companies of the hearing world insure the deaf driver; in this work it needs the support of every deaf motorist in the state. The cost of membership is \$1 a year, those who do not own a car or cannot drive a car can become associate members by paying 50 cents a year.

The Ohio Deaf Motorist's Assn. will hold an outing at the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf on July 4th, during which there will be a business session in which the progress made in the fight for recognition of the deaf driver will be discussed. If you want to keep your driving rights, join the Association. When the new drivers license law goes into effect in July we will be able to get our license, but if we crash and are responsible for the crash, remember we cannot drive again unless we get \$11,000 liability insurance, and who will insure us? Other speakers were Mr. K. B. Ayres, who hit straight from the shoulder as usual, no beating around the bush with K. B. Mr. Schowe, handling his subject like an expert orator, gave the crowd present a fine lecture on cooperation. Mr. Richardson of Cleveland also spoke, as did a few others. There was quite a few from Columbus at the rally. Mr. W. Eichler and Mr. R. Ogden went with the writer and were the guests of the writers' father during our stay in Akron. Mr. Ross Miller, Mr. E. Burcham and Miss Rauch were there as well.

Mr. Walter Wark has been sick for some time. Recent turns in his condition have given cause for much concern on the part of his friends. At the time of writing he has improved some and seems to be gaining ground. Mr. Wark is a charter member of the Columbus Division of the N. F. S. D. and is well known to many in Ohio.

The Misses Violet and Ruth Sanders of Cincinnati, accompanied Mr. Ed. Gard were visitors to Miss Anna Mae Boober of Tippecanoe City recently.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Croghan of Springfield (nee Margaret Lauver) were in Dayton recently, visiting their parents and Mr. and Mrs. Ryder.

The Cottage Club of Dayton will hold their annual outing at Indian Lake July 4th and 5th. The outing lasts for two days, during the time they stay at the Lake they will use cottages that are rented with the money saved by the club for one year, thus the name "Cottage Club."

Arrangements for the Cleveland-Akron-Canton picnic are about completed. There will be a bathing beauty contest, soft ball game, cash prizes for the newest baby, latest married couple, largest family, races of all kinds, and reduced rates on the amusement concessions at Geauga Lake Park, where the picnic will be held on July 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barron, accompanied by Ikey Phillips, all of Akron, are among the hills of Northern Pennsylvania, visiting relatives of both families.

David Williams of Akron has a peach of an idea. He is thinking of organizing an all Ohio Golf Tournament for Deaf Golfers. Anyone interested in the idea can write him, his address is 1746 Ford Ave., Akron Ohio.

Roy B. Conkling, editor of the *American Deaf Citizen*, called on his friends at the school while on his way home from his trip to Trenton, N. J., where he addressed the graduating class of the New Jersey School. He reported a fine time and made the trip by car.

The following items are taken from the *Cameron News*, Cincinnati:

The program by the members of the Ohio Home Circle on Saturday, May 23d, was greatly enjoyed by a good-sized crowd who stayed up until mid-night. Chairman Mrs. Edith Roof, with the help of Mesdames B. C. Wortman and M. B. Key and Miss Ethel Pollard, cooked a very good supper which pleased the diners immensely. Games of all kinds were played, while the chances on the angel cake, made and donated by Mrs. Hannah Wooley, were busily taken up until the games halted. One of our oldest gentlemen, Mr. Wiltshire Oxley, was selected to draw out the cards to decide the winner. Mr. M. B. Key won the door prize, while Mrs. Wylie D. Rose won the angel cake. It was surely a pleasant surprise for those who recognized Mr. Edwin M. Hazel of Pittsburgh, Pa., among our visitors. He was the guest of Mrs. Wondrack and her family for a week.

The members of the Kentucky Home Circle announced that their picnic will be held at Rosedale Park on the 5th of July.

Mrs. Bessie Brecount has sent out invitations to her lawn fete, which will be held here on Saturday the 27th of June. A very good supper is assured for all. Every one is welcome.

Those who are planning to attend the Zoo Outing given by the Cincinnati Division No. 10 on July 18th should ask the committee for their tickets now because no tickets will be sold by the members at the Zoo. You are, therefore, urged to buy your tickets from one of the members now.

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Utah Convention

August 21st and 22nd have been set aside as the days for the tenth biennial convention of the Utah Association of the Deaf, the first to be held in Salt Lake City. Tourists going west may have an opportunity, if they have ample time, to take in this remarkable assembly, and may be able to get better acquainted with the "Center of Scenic America," which has numerous unique attractions.

Featured in the convention will be a banquet in the Newhouse Hotel, on Friday evening, stage entertainments on Saturday evening and an outing at Sunset Beach Sunday. (Visitors will get a great kick out of being unable to sink in Great Salt Lake.)

The program of the gathering can be had by writing to George L. Laramie, Secretary, 105 First Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Central Oral Club, Chicago

Organized 1908—Incorporated 1925
The Oldest Club for the Oral Deaf in Chicago. Socials and Cards Second Sunday of each month from September to and including June. Entree: 7:30 P.M. Atlantic Hotel, 316 South Clark Street. Hall K, Mezzanine Floor. Convenient location and transportation.
Send all communications to Mrs. Sadie McElroy, 227 Englewood Ave. (Apt. 210), Chicago, Ill.

Miss Leonard Retires as Clark School Head

Miss Bessie N. Leonard, Principal of Clarke School for the Deaf, is retiring from that position, at her own request, but will continue her connection with the school as director of the department for the training of teachers, by request of the trustees. She will be succeeded in September by Dr. Frank H. Reiter of Harrisburg, Pa.

The announcement of the change says:

The trustees of the Clarke School for the Deaf, Northampton, Mass., at the urgent request of the principal, Miss Bessie N. Leonard, have been giving thought for some years past to the question of her successor as head of Clarke School.

It is very gratifying to be able to announce at this time that Dr. Frank H. Reiter of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, has been appointed to this position. Dr. Reiter's wide experience as an educator in several fields, including that of work with the deaf, eminently fits him to become the principal of the Clarke School. Dr. Reiter is, at present, director of special education in the State of Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State Teachers' college, of Muhlenberg College, of Lutheran Theological Seminary, and he earned the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Reiter was a teacher for five years in the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, at Mount Airy; board of education director of the Psycho-Educational clinic in Newark, New Jersey, for the same length of time; from 1914-1920 he was instructor of psychology in the University of Pennsylvania. In 1925 he assumed the directorship of special education in the department of public instruction, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Among the organizations of which Dr. Reiter is a member are National Educational Association, the Pennsylvania Academy of Science, American Psychological Association, and Pennsylvania Association of Clinical Psychologists.

At the request of the trustees and Dr. Reiter, Miss Leonard will continue connection with the school as director of the department for the training of teachers.

All Angels' Church for the Deaf (Episcopal)

1151 Leland Ave. Chicago, Illinois
(One block north of Wilson Ave. "L" station, and one-half block west)
Rev. GEORGE F. FLICK, Priest-in-charge.
Mr. FREDRICK W. HINRICH, Lay-Reader
Church services, every Sunday at 11 A.M.
Holy Communion, first and third Sundays of each month
Social Supper, second Wednesday of each month, 6:30 P.M., with entertainment following at 8 P.M.
Get-together socials at 8 P.M., all other Wednesdays. (Use Racine Ave. entrance)
Minister's address, 6336 Kenwood Avenue

Chicago League of Hebrew Deaf

Hotel Atlantic
316 So. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.
Organized December, 1924
Incorporated May, 1925
The First and the Only Society of the Hebrew Deaf in Chicago
Socials and cards, first Sunday of each month from October to and including June. Literary and other special programs announced in the Chicago column from time to time. For further information, write to Louis Rozett, 4845 North Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Our Savior Lutheran Church (For the Deaf)

A. C. DAHMS, Pastor
1400 N. Ridgeway Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
Services—10:00 A.M., May to September; 2:30 P.M., October to April.
Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month. Preaching in the sign-language. Hearing friends invited to special services. We preach salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.—"Come and we will do thee good."
SOCIETIES
The Silent Lutheran Club
Lutheran Deaf-Mute Ladies' Aid Society

Wisconsin

MILWAUKEE

A show "Cabaret Amateur Night" took place at the Silent Club, Saturday evening, May 16th. Over eighty deaf folks attended it. Various kinds of plays were shown by deaf actors and actresses. Here is the program:

1. "Prisoner's Song".....Lorraine Szablewski
2. "How I got broke".....Sam Becker
3. "Indian Dance".....Lillian McCormick
4. "Shirley Temple and her song".....Justine Jankiewicz
5. "Nigger's Dance".....Martin Drews
6. "Sidewalks of New York".....Lorraine Szablewski and Mrs. O. Meyer
7. "Too Much Gossip".....Joe Letkiewicz
8. "Drunkness always gets my nose red".....Oscar Meyer
9. "Matrimonial Bureau".....Lorraine Szablewski and Esther Rosenfield

Arthur Leisman, Mrs. William Gelfuss and Kenneth Steinke were appointed the judges. All members of the club voted for one of the best plays. All of the ballots were collected. Later Kenneth Steinke announced the names of the winners of the plays as follows:—

- First Prize, "Sidewalks of New York"
Lorraine Szablewski and Mrs. O. Meyer
Second Prize, "Nigger's Dance"
Martin Drews
Third Prize, "Shirley Temple and her song"
Justine Jankiewicz

All were presented \$1.50 Frat banquet tickets.

Mr. Valentine Kuzba, 68 years old, passed away here Thursday, May 7th. He was buried in Arlington Cemetery Saturday, May 9th. He is survived by his wife and three sons.

The Wisconsin School for the Deaf kittenball team dropped into Milwaukee and walloped the Milwaukee Silents, 22 to 15, in the game at the Washington Park diamond Saturday afternoon, May 16th.

A week later the Milwaukee Silents dropped into Delavan to play a return game with the W. S. D. team. The score was a tie, 4 to 4, in six and a half innings on account of rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Livshis, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shawl, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Libbey, Miss Virginia Dries, Miss Irene Crafton and about seventy deaf folks of Chicago, dropped into Milwaukee for the smoker and frat banquet on May 29th-30th. All of them had a wonderful time here.

Walter Jascor and Miss Anna Fillus were married in Withee, Saturday, June 16th. They are making their home there.

The Frat picnic took place at Old Heidelberg Park, Saturday, June 6th. About one hundred fifty deaf folks attended it.

Mrs. Harry Hersch (*née* Charlotte Teweles), of New York City, dropped into her homeland, Milwaukee, about a month ago and visited her mother. Her mother is on the road to recovery.

The Milwaukee Silent Club will hold its annual picnic at Old Heidelberg Park on Saturday, August 8th.

Fred Saddy, of Detroit, Mich., dropped into Milwaukee a week ago and visited his old pals at the Silent Club. He reported a wonderful time, having a vacation in Miami, Fla. He is on his way to Madison, Wis., to stay at his married sister's home for a couple of months.

Harry Hersch, of New York City, dropped into Milwaukee, Saturday, June 13th, and visited his wife and his mother-in-law here. He reported a wonderful time, having a nice vacation here. Come in again, Harry.

A birthday party for Mrs. Martin Drews was held at the home of her husband, Saturday evening, June 13th. Forty deaf guests attended the card party. She was presented with many nice gifts. Refreshments and drinks were then served.

About ten deaf folks enjoyed watching the Milwaukee Brewers' ball games recently. Of course, the Brewers are leading with first place in American Association this week. We expect them to win the pennant this season.

Kenneth Steinke went to Delavan a week ago and visited his daughter, who had a nice vacation in the South during the winter. He returned here the following day.

GREEN BAY

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Feldhausen, who is to be married in June.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burnette and Mr. and Mrs. P. Bengard were to Neenah, Wis., recently, where they attended the Fox River Valley Association's meeting. After the meeting, they were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hinterthuer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kurry, of Milwaukee, visited Mrs. Kurry's mother for a few days lately at De Pere, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bristol and family and Mr. and Mrs. P. Bengard drove to Hortonville, Wis., and visited with Mr. William Buchman. While there they also went to see John Otto at Black Creek, Wis. They found him quite well, having recovered from injuries received when his motorcycle was struck by a car late last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moen and Henry Hein were to Green Bay recently. They attended the funeral of Mrs. Moen's nephew. Ellen Bach returned to Milwaukee with them.

RACINE

Harold Jorgenson watched his worn-out air glider, which he made five years ago, burn to ashes on Sunday. He had made hundreds of flights with it.

Mrs. Edna Shields, of Kenosha, is proud of her two months' old grandson, who was born to her daughter, Mrs. Richard Stone.

Lately Alfred Maertz and five other employees have been rushing the final preparations of motor caravans of new Nash and LaFayette cars for the trip to the West Coast. Hundreds of them have been sent to California since December.

Rev. Flick, of Chicago, conducted his regular service here on May 10th. The subject of his interesting sermon was "Cooperation." There will be no more services until fall.

Mrs. Clyde Uehling arrived home a month ago after a three-weeks' vacation in Florida. She accompanied her daughter, Rosa Kathryn, from Chicago, where they made a stopover with Mrs. Uehling's aunt, Mrs. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Averill and children, of West Bend, Wis., spent a few weeks in Racine, visiting relatives. They also called on the Maertz.

Mrs. Clara Spears and Mrs. Alfred Cashman attended the funeral of their friend, Patrolman Frank Lenzke, May 16th. The policeman was accidentally shot, while a group of officers were target shooting, May 13th.

Announcement was made of the death of Mr. John Somogji, of Plant City, Fla. He was the father of Stephen Somogji. The family formerly lived in Racine, but have been farming in Florida for the past seven years.

DELAVER

Leslie Anderson of Junction City, Edith Dernivger of Monroe, Alvin Deilein of Milwaukee, Kathryn Jackson of Mineral Point, Harold Lewis of Milwaukee, Harriet Morehouse of Eau Claire, Ambrose Pica of Milwaukee, Isabel Schnur of Centuria and Omar Schmidt of Fox Lake were graduated from the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, Wednesday, June 3d. Their class motto is "No Victory Without Effort." They were granted diplomas. Over one hundred fifty people watched the Commencement Exercises there.

Mrs. Silas Phillips is improving in health. She recently underwent an operation at the Walworth County Hospital. Her many relatives and friends called on her while she was ill and after her return home. The members of the Number Eight Club surprised her with a party.

A month ago, Milton Goff of Deerfield, Wis., and the Goff family of Delavan, motored to Chicago to visit with Mr. Goff's sister, Mrs. Mott. The Motts live in the state of Oregon and have recently been visiting in Chicago.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Schranski on May 15th. A group of friends from Delavan called on Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steger in Milwaukee on Sunday, May 17th. They had a pot luck supper.

MADISON

A picnic will be sponsored by the deaf of Madison at Deerfield, Wis., Sunday, June 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Henry were chaperones at a dance at the University of Wisconsin one evening recently. The former is the son of Mrs. Mae Kennedy.

Mary Schultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schultz of Reedsburg, Wis., plans to enter the Methodist Hospital Nurses training school.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Sampson, Jr., and Elaine, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanson, motored to River Falls on Mothers' Day. They surprised Mrs. Sampson's mother. They enjoyed the trip, but were pretty tired out when they arrived home.

George Hoffman has a job as a printer at the Feldman Paper Box and Printing Co. Of course, he likes his job very much.

Willard Sharer's father purchased a Case tractor at Evansville, Wis., a month ago. They brought it to their farm at Riley, Wis., on a truck.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown motored to Oshkosh to surprise Henry Berholtz on his birthday several weeks ago. They enjoyed their visit.

MAX LEWIS.

Miami, Florida

A farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schatzkin was given at the League rooms Friday night, June 12th, secretly got up by Mrs. Paul A. Blount, Miss Hope Jaeger, Robert Bolton and A. Eldridge. It was a most enjoyable affair, with games and refreshments. Hope Jaeger told fortunes in cards. All were promised great riches, mysterious letters and long trips, and warned against a blonde lady and a dark man. They took their warnings by boycotting the two dark men present, Messrs. Ragna and Bolton, the rest of the evening as suspicious characters, but boycotting of the two blondes, Janet Lightborn and Callie Blount, wilted a bit.

There were so many more "combined" than oralists present that toward the end of the evening, lip-reading was tossed aside and the sign language went without reserve. Among those present beside the Schatzkins were Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Blount, Hope Jaeger, Janet Lightborn, Messrs. Robert Bolton, Edw. Ragna, Arthur Eldridge and others. The Schatzkins left for Minneapolis, Monday, June 15th, to be gone until October.

Elizabeth Chambliss has a poem "Courage," and an article "This Changing World," in the *Volta Review* for May.

Mr. Edward E. Ragna of Stone Ridge, N. Y., will remain in Miami until October, when he expects to go north for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Among those from Miami who will attend the Dixie Florida Convention at Tampa, July 2nd-4th, are Janet Lightborn, Miss Curtiss, Mrs. Paul A. Blount, Messrs. Jennings and Rou.

The monthly meeting of the Miami Chapter of the Dixie Association, Sunday afternoon, June 14th, was well attended with visitors present from out of town, despite a tropical rain which lasted three days. Plans for a Fourth of July picnic were discussed and a committee appointed. All look forward to the summer program of entertainment.

E. R.

Convention Dates Ahead

(Compiled by F. E. P.)

Alabama Association of the Deaf at Mobile, July 2-4.

Florida Association of the Deaf at Tampa, July 2-4.

LeCouteux St. Mary's Alumni Association at Buffalo, N. Y., June 28th to July 4th.

Georgia Association of the Deaf at Atlanta, July 3-5.

International Peace Garden Association of the Deaf near Dunsoith, North Dakota, July 4-5.

Red River Valley Association of the Deaf at Oak Grove Park, Fargo, N. D., July 12.

Virginia School for the Deaf Alumni Association, at Staunton, Va., July 23-25.

Tenth Annual Convention of the Deaf of the Ozarks at Monett, Mo., August 16.

North Carolina Association of the Deaf at Carolina Beach, near Wilmington, August 19-22.

South Dakota Association of the Deaf at Sioux Falls, August 27th to 30th.

Empire State Association of the Deaf, at Binghamton, N. Y. August 21-23.

Utah Association of the Deaf, Salt Lake City, August 21-22.

Kansas Association of the Deaf at Olathe, August 29-31.

Dixie Association of the Deaf at Richmond, Va., September 2-7.

California Association of the Deaf at Visalia, September 4-7.

Reunion of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf at Edgewood, Pittsburgh, Sept. 4-7.

Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf at Reading, Sept. 4-7.

Kentucky Association of the Deaf at Danville Sept. 5-7.

New England Gallaudet Association at Concord, N. H., Sept. 5-7

Missouri Association of the Deaf Home Fund

Editor of the Journal:

The plan proposed by Altor Sel-dow, given in a recent issue, in regard to old age pensions by state associations to the indigent deaf, has been in practical operation by the Missouri Association since March 1934. At this present date, we are paying ninety dollars a month to four married couples and four single persons, twelve in all, the sums ranging from eight to fifteen dollars monthly, dependant on the circumstances of the applicant. They must be 65, having lived in Missouri for the past ten years, and without resources of their own. The idea is to tide them over till the state and government old-age pensions become operative. No payment of any kind is required of them. The sum paid them by the association, augmented by the relief payments of the communities where they live, enables them to get along very well in their present homes; and that way is preferably better than taking care of them in a state home with considerably much less expense. The amount expended by the Missouri Association is limited to the interest received on its funds; and in that way, the Home Fund of the Association is never diminished.

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If there were any further evidence required as testimony of the importance and value of the services rendered by Gallaudet College, not alone to its graduates but to the deaf at large, the enthusiastic gathering of its alumni at Kendall Green last week furnished ample testimony from its daughters and sons. Here were gathered some two hundred men and women most of whom have profited by the wholesome education and training of the college.

The spirit manifested throughout the sessions of the Alumni Association and the freedom of discussion permitted was proof of a sincere and devoted desire to assist where possible in proving its value as a seat of learning and the rendering any assistance possible for the advancement of its splendid work. President Hall and the members of the Faculty left nothing undone to make the homecoming pleasant and to be remembered, and in this they were completely successful. Their urbanity, kindness and courtesies will not be forgotten.

IN THE course of time queer and questionable happenings ascribed as ancient history dreams, have a way of becoming real occurrences in modern times. Among these is to be recorded attested cases of deaf-mute children who were thrown away by their parents, cared for and suckled by she-wolves.

Students are familiar with the story of the historical twins Romulus and Remus, who are recorded as having been wolf-children. Early chroniclers long before the advent of Plutarch related how Romulus, the founder of Rome, with his twin brother Remus, were reared by a she-wolf. They should not be regarded as real personages, the stories about them being mythical. The legend tells us Romulus and Remus were the sons of Rhea Silvia by Mars. She was a vestal virgin, and with her twin offspring were condemned to be drowned in the river Tiber. The

cradle in which the babes were exposed, having stranded at a place called Cermanum, they were found under the shade of a fig tree by a she-wolf which carried them to her den and suckled them. They were there discovered by Faustulus, the King's shepherd. He took the children and gave them to his wife to rear. When the twins were grown up they left Alba to found a city on the banks of the Tiber.

Within the last century a number of cases have come to light in India of children who have been brought up from infancy by wolves. When found they went about on all fours, ate raw flesh with apparent relish, and made animal noises. With much difficulty they were trained to human conditions of life. Their cases furnish a proof that human speech is not inborn but learned by imitation. Some of these children when found were not only deaf but dumb, others were mentally deficient. No case of a wolf-child has been known to be susceptible of sufficient education to be able to record his past experience.

The following is quoted from the report of the C. M. S. Secundra, (India) Orphanage for the year 1872:

"Among the newcomers during the past year was that unfortunate boy who had been burned out of a wolf's den, and who caused so much interest and inquiry. He came to us from Mynpoorie. He had been found in a wolf's den! A fire had been lighted to drive or compel the young wolves to come out, and with them came out this little boy. He was about eight years old and deaf and dumb. He much enjoyed raw meat, and did not walk unless led. He was a very nice-looking boy and fair!

"The poor boy was never happy among us. Whether he was homesick after his former quarters and friends, or whether he had some internal complaint, we never could find out. Neither did he improve in any way. He kept on living in dark places, uttering now and then a half-smothered whine, tore up regularly his clothes and his blankets, till he fell ill in July.

"It seems to me that wolves must rather like to have human children in their dens, for this is the second boy we have received from them. This one who came on Wednesday, we called "Wednesday." The previous comer, called "Saturday," because he came on a Saturday, has been here some years. When "Wednesday" fell ill, "Saturday" was his friend to the last. Whenever he saw anyone coming towards their room he shook his head and pointed to the poor sick comrade. The sick boy refused all nourishment from the very beginning, and, though we tried very hard to do our best for him he died. Sanichar (Saturday) the old wolf-boy, is perhaps slightly improving. He imitates more what he sees others do, and if anyone joins him in playing at ball or any other kind of game, he makes the most unearthly noises out of sheer joy of heart. Whether he will ever learn to speak I greatly doubt, as he does not seem to have any memory for anything except eating."

In personal appearance "Sanichar" was semi-brutal, with hands of abnormal size, a cramped chest, and other physical peculiarities, all due to his having spent so much of his life in the wolf den walking on all fours.

Gallaudet College Alumni Association
Reunion Has Large Attendance

Reported by Norman Brown, Special Correspondent

The sixteenth reunion of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association was held June 17th to 21st, at Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C.

At least two hundred or more persons from many parts of the country were present. Among this number there were one hundred and eight registered Alumni members.

Besides the business meetings of the Association the program included entertainments embracing Dr. Hall's reception to the Alumni, the informal dance in the college's "Old Jim," a sightseeing trip, movies, and a boat ride to Marshall Hall, a recreation park on the Potomac River.

The first day, June 17th, was occupied with registration and assignment of rooms. In the evening Dr. and Mrs. Hall held a reception for the Alumni at their house, and there was also informal dancing in the "Old Jim." Both affairs were greatly enjoyed, and brought many together, renewing old friendships.

The opening session at 10 o'clock on the 18th was held with about eighty members in attendance. This number was largely increased at the afternoon session of the same day. After the invocation by Rev. Philip Hasentab '86, of Chicago; Dr. Hall, President of the College, made his address of welcome:

Dear Friends—Although it is four years since your last gathering here on Kendall Green it seems almost as if it were yesterday; time has passed so quickly. In those four years almost a generation of college boys and girls have gone through our hands here and into the world outside. Four years have been added to the life of Gallaudet College, but its heart beats strongly as ever and its sons and daughters are still increasing in numbers and, I am sure, in usefulness.

I know that there are many items of interest to you about which you would like to be informed this morning. No doubt the chief of these is the Memorial Building in honor of Edward Miner Gallaudet. I am very much disappointed not to be able to report more progress in this direction. The architects were selected to draw up preliminary plans. Marr & Holman were chosen as the principal firm, with Mr. Harry Cunningham of Washington, as associate architect. Preliminary plans and studies were made of the building to house laboratories, recitation rooms, library and printing office, giving a total of about 400,000 cubic feet of space and providing much extended facilities for scientific laboratories and library work. Strenuous attempts have been made to obtain money from special government funds and from regular appropriations for the construction of the building. So far we have failed to obtain any government assistance whatever, though the \$50,000 which your association so kindly gave us has increased now to approximately \$60,000 through careful investment in government and other apparently safe securities. Another effort will be made this year to obtain the necessary funds from Congress to put through this most desirable improvement. In the meantime we have lost our good friend, Mr. Thomas Marr, by death, and Mr. Cunningham, associate architect, has withdrawn from the project. However, we still have preliminary plans which can be easily worked over and expanded when the necessary funds are ready.

The institution will receive from Mr. Marr's estate a gift of \$5,000 for the establishment of a scholarship in his name, and I have been notified of another considerable gift which will come a good many years in the future, also to be used for scholarships. In the meantime we have been able to obtain legislation increasing the number of free scholarships offered by the government from 125 to 145. Congress has also been reasonably liberal to us by an appropriation of nearly \$20,000 extra in the past few years for fencing our grounds, for special repairs and equipment in our kitchen and power house, and for necessary general expenditures caused by rising prices.

In order to meet more fully the requirements for employment of our graduates in schools for the deaf the Faculty has added another course in educational psychology and expects to give next year besides a course in the principles of teaching. Several young men and young women of the Senior Class each year have been chosen and given practice teaching, the young women largely in vocational projects such as typing, sewing, and cooking in the Kendall School, and the young men observing the work of the Kendall School, and teaching in the preparatory class. During the past four years about thirty of our graduates have been given employment in schools for the

deaf, so that this is still a major field of endeavor for them. Several have obtained positions in the Hispanic Museum in New York, and a number have entered the field of commercial printing with success. There seems no doubt that our printing classes have been of great practical value in the placement of our graduates in substantial work. A considerable increase in the number of deaf employees under the United States government has taken place in the last few years. A number of these positions, however, are temporary. It is disappointing that more of our young people do not enter the ministry or the field of architectural drafting. Very few have entered these fields, though in the field of the ministry, there is a decided need for intelligent, well-educated young deaf people. Our normal graduates are holding some fifty important positions in our schools, including twenty-four superintendents. Their friendship and influence has been most valuable in providing the best of candidates for instruction in Gallaudet.

There is no doubt in my mind that our next curricular expansion should be in the line of better facilities and additional courses in physics and natural science. It is in these fields that we shall be particularly aided by the erection of the memorial building, providing much increased laboratory facilities.

However, it is still my belief that the life and value of any college depends mainly on its students and faculty. I am glad to report not only a slow but steady increase in the student body, which was added to by fifty-three new students last year, but a definite trend upward in the educational ability of the entering classes, which during the past four years has moved up practically one full year. By tests marked entirely by outside persons, conducted here under the management of Professor Fusfeld, we have been able to get a very definite line on the ability of our Freshman classes for two years past. While the average in educational attainment has been somewhat lower than the average of thousands of Freshman tested throughout the country, none have been as poor as the poorest so checked up on, and many of our students have stood far above the average of the whole group. I think we are thoroughly justified in believing that our superior students when they graduate are as well fitted educationally as the average college graduate. Possibly we are still in general a year behind the group in certain lines, for instance, English Literature. On the other hand, our boys and girls have nearly all received vocational education and are probably better prepared to turn their hands to making a living than almost any college group in the country.

We are fortunate to retain the services of an enthusiastic and devoted Faculty, which has seen few changes during the past four years. They have devoted themselves to study in nearby colleges and universities besides their actual work in teaching.

We welcome you here most heartily; we appreciate your interest and enthusiasm in coming to Kendall Green, and we all wish for you a very happy and successful gathering.

Very pleasing responses were made by Mr. Tom L. Anderson, of Iowa, and Mrs. Agatha Hanson, of Seattle.

The address Mr. Roy J. Stewart '99, President of the Alumni Association, is given herewith:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association:—In this perplexing time our country is experiencing it is good to see so many of you "back home" in the halls of our Alma Mater. Every June, after the College has closed, I wander over to Kendall Green from force of habit and when I see that all lights are out these lines occur to me:

"The lights are out and gone are all the guests
That thronging came with merriment and jests."

We have come back with merriment and jests to meet old friends, make new ones, and live again the happy days of our youth if only for a brief time. We are conscious that an old friend of ours is not here. It has always seemed that the Chapel Tower, the Little Iron Dog, and Douglas Craig would go on forever. But Douglas has gone on a long vacation to "Green Pastures" and we shall see him no more. His last public appearance was at the dedication of the flag pole presented to the College by the Class of 1935. He raised the first flag to the top of the pole. On being told that the alumni would be here in 1936 and expected him to greet them at the front gate his face lit up with joy. He said: "I will try, try hard."

Not altogether do we meet here for pleasure. There is some business that requires our attention. At some of our reunions the business sessions have not received the attention they deserve. At any time something of importance may develop that requires level headed judgment. The

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GALLAUDET COLLEGE REUNION

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temptation to sit in the shade of the beautiful trees on fair Kendall Green and give away to reminiscences is very strong. In fact, it is what you are mostly here for, but I hope there will be a goodly attendance at the meetings in the chapel.

At the meeting in 1932, after it was announced that the Edward Miner Gallaudet Memorial Building Fund had been completed and the sum of \$50,000 had been turned over to the College authorities, it was realized by the alumni that the Edward Miner Gallaudet Fund was the best medium through which we could assist our Alma Mater in a practical way. It was voted to make the Edward Miner Gallaudet Fund permanent. No immediate objective was decided on. The Ways and Means Committee was continued, but it was not stated for how long. I would suggest that we profit by the experience of the present Board of Trustees of the Fund and that they be asked to remain either for life, or for a term of years. At the start of this administration Mrs. Ethelburga Zell Mather was appointed to the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of Miss Lamson. Thomas Marr died recently and his place on the Board has not been filled. Sooner or later we must decide on a new objective for the Fund. This might be discussed now, or left to the Board of Trustees, with the understanding that the Board submit one or more plans for the approval of the members of the Association at the next meeting. Any plan that does not have the approval of the majority of the members at a meeting would hardly meet with success. Due to the difficult times during the past four years this administration has not encouraged a new drive for the Edward Miner Gallaudet Fund. However, we recognize that it is an important matter and hope the time will soon come when you will be ready to contribute again if only in a small way.

The establishment of a Government Relations Committee was discussed at the last meeting and left to the incoming Board for further mediation. The Board met in Dr. Hall's office immediately after adjournment to discuss this matter. What he said was the same as he told us at a meeting in the chapel and as stated in the proceedings. It was to the effect: "I do not believe in flooding members of Congress with telegrams and letters. I know of one Senator who received 3,000 in one day. What we want is that members of Congress shall know personally, or through personal contact with you, that we are doing good work at Gallaudet College—work that deserves their interest and support. A committee acting on this line, with the authorities here, might be helpful." The Board is convinced that we can gain little except by fighting for it, but it is well aware that the fighting must be conducted tactfully and with an unlimited amount of patience and that nothing should be done except on the advice of the College authorities. A committee acting on the advice of the College authorities might do some good providing the members of the Association do nothing except under the guidance of the committee. It will take time to bring about results if any. Do you want such a committee?

The matter of an Alumni Secretary, an office suggested by Dr. Hall at the last meeting, was left to the incoming Board with full powers to act. It was understood that the Alumni Secretary should also act as alumni editor of the *Buff and Blue*. Secretary Tracy was appointed acting Alumni Secretary for the purpose of giving the office a try-out and to correspond with other colleges with the view of learning all he could about the duties of such an office and the compensation attached to it. Owing to the condition of our treasury the Board did not feel it could offer a salary at this time. Secretary Tracy will make his report at this meeting. Should you wish at this meeting to establish the office of Alumni Secretary we might try to find among several of the alumni here in Washington someone willing to serve without pay in order to get the office started.

Also at the meeting in 1932 it was decided to continue efforts to get out a film showing activities at Gallaudet College. This work was successfully completed within a year after adjournment. The Chairman of the Film Committee is ready with his report.

The motion for the Secretary to compile a list of the name and addresses of ex-students which was passed at the last meeting was not carried out. The purpose of the motion was to furnish addresses to those who might want to write to friends. The Secretary waited a year and no request came in. He waited another year, still no request came. In view of the fact it would require quite a bit of money to compile such a list and more money to keep it up to date afterwards, we thought it better not to do it and that the matter should be reported back to you.

At the last meeting a motion was passed to place the life membership fees in a special Endowment Fund. This has been done. Only the interest on this Fund can be used. In time that Fund will grow and be very useful. At present there is hardly more than \$28.43 credited to our checking account. If our treasury is to grow we must have more members of raise money in other ways.

Attention is called to the fact that the Diamond Jubilee of our Alma Mater comes

in 1939. Shall we have a meeting to celebrate it?

No adequate memorial to Dr. Fay and Dr. Draper have as yet been established.

In closing I wish to express the hope that you will all have a very enjoyable time during your stay here and that you will carry back to your homes many pleasant memories of this reunion.

At the afternoon session which opened at 2 o'clock, President Stewart appointed committees:

Necrology—Rev. Flick, chairman; Robey S. Burns and R. W. Williams. **Auditing**—Mr. Kestner, chairman; Mr. Roth and Mr. Ohlemacher. **Resolutions**—Rev. Pulver, Chicago; Rev. Merrill, Mr. Leitner, Mr. Rosen, and Mrs. Effie W. Anderson.

At an evening session, which met at eight o'clock, the ceremonies attending the presentation to the College of a portrait of the late Professor of Mathematics, Dr. Amos G. Draper, were carried out.

After an invocation by Rev. Arthur D. Bryant, President Hall introduced Hon. Ernest Gallaudet Draper, Assistant Secretary of Commerce, who spoke extemporaneously of the pride and pleasure it gave him in joining in the honor being rendered to the memory of his father. The portrait is a fine representation of Dr. Draper in his prime, and a most welcome addition to the college's gallery of distinguished presidents, professors and other educators of the deaf.

Later followed a portrayal on the screen of Dr. Draper's rendering in the sign language of "Signing the Charter of Gallaudet College"; it is a splendid tribute to the friendship shown by President Lincoln to the cause of the education of the deaf.

At the Friday morning session, which was opened with an invocation by Rev. Herbert C. Merrill '96, of Syracuse, N. Y., the first paper was read by Dr. Charles R. Ely, and dealt with "The Soul of Gallaudet College." This address delivered in gracefully measured signs, showed with clearness the forcible beauty of the sign language. The deliverance indicated a depth and sincerity of earnestness that impressed those who witnessed his expression of views upon those qualities which lie at the soul and source of the college's service in behalf of the deaf.

There followed a "panel" discussion led by Tom Anderson and relating to vocational aids in the preparation of deaf college graduates. It was participated in by Rev. Mr. Pulver, of Philadelphia; Mr. Schowe, of Ohio; Dr. Hall, Dr. Fox and Rev. Mr. Hasenstab, and formed a most interesting series of discussions on a very important phase of the lives of the graduates of the college. It filled the closing hour of the morning session. At this session announcement was made of the election to Honorary Membership of Prof. Elizabeth Peet, Professor of French and Dean of Women. Dr. Gallaudet, Dr. Fay, Dr. Hall and Dr. Ely are the only other Honorary Members.

In the afternoon three buses of the Royal Blue Line took the members on a sightseeing trip of Washington and vicinity.

The following became paid-up life members after their forty years of membership in the Association: James M. Stewart, Chas. D. Seaton, William H. Zorn, Frank A. Leitner, Mrs. Agatha Tiegler Hanson, Jay C. Howard, John A. McIlvaine, Herbert C. Merrill, George H. Grimm, and Harry S. Lewis.

On Thursday evening most of the members, according to sex, attended conclaves of the O. W. L. S. Society and Kappa Gamma fraternity, which kept them actively busy until well into the next morning.

At the beginning of the last session of the Alumni Association on Saturday, there was a thrill of excitement experienced as President Hall and Vice-President Ely ascended the platform and invited Miss Edith Fitzgerald, now attached to the Texas school, to come forward. They conferred upon her the honorary degree of Master of Arts; it was an honor

well deserved by this accomplished teacher.

In the order of business there was a discussion upon the selection of an Alumni Secretary, and it was finally decided to table the question until the next meeting. Rev. Mr. Flick presented the report of the Committee on Necrology, and was followed by Rev. Mr. Hasenstab, who inquired what progress, if any, was being made in the preparation of a biography of Dr. E. M. Gallaudet. Dr. Hall explained he had collected and forwarded to Rev. Herbert Gallaudet all the available material for the biography and presumed that Dr. Gallaudet's son would prepare the material for publication.

Greetings from the College Alumni in Canada was announced by Mrs. Annie MacPhail Cook and received with applause; a like reception was given to a telegraphic dispatch from Gallaudet's daughters and sons in California.

Mr. Anderson called attention to the value of as well as the importance of using the films prepared by the Association Committee in advertising the work of the college and the desirability of supporting the committee in its need of funds for the purpose.

Dr. Hall called attention to the great benefit to the deaf that has followed from the influence for good that has attended the continuance of the Normal Class at Gallaudet.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions, being in order, was presented by the Chairman, Rev. Mr. Pulver, and reads as follows:

ALUMNI CO-OPERATION FOR COLLEGE

WHEREAS, The Alumni desire to assist the College in its noble ideal to provide the highest type of education, both academic and vocational, for the deaf youth of America, and

WHEREAS, We feel that the helpful co-operative strength of our Alumni has not as yet been really utilized, be it

Resolved, That the President appoint a Co-operative Committee of at least ten members, located in the main sections of the country, to act with the advice and direction of the President and Board of Directors of the College, to secure by Congressional action the necessary funds for progressive expansion and improvement.

TRAINING OF GALLAUDET STUDENTS FOR TEACHING

WHEREAS, The demand for teachers trained in the psychology of education and the mechanics of teaching makes it imperative that graduates who expect to enter the teaching profession obtain specific preparation for the profession, and

WHEREAS, The faculty recognizes this need for specific training by offering special courses for those who expect to teach, be it

Resolved, That we commend the faculty for this provision to meet the demands of the day and time.

VOCATIONAL COURSES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL

WHEREAS, In the summer school, provision has been made for a course especially for vocational teachers, and

WHEREAS, Vocational training absorbs a large proportion of our graduates and offers a most fruitful field for their labors and a field in which there is a crying need for better trained workers.

PURITY OF SIGN LANGUAGE

WHEREAS, The spread of so-called "word signs" by hearing teachers desirous of signing in "the English order" is resulting in a jumbled language of signs which possesses neither clarity of thought nor beauty and facility of delivery, and results in the corruption of the language of signs as used among the younger generation in our state schools, and

WHEREAS, Gallaudet Normals are in a position of great responsibility in the matter of keeping the sign language up to a high standard, and

WHEREAS, The limited time given to the study and practice of the sign language in the Normal training department makes it necessary that extra devotion to this study and practice be asked of the Normals, be it

Resolved, That we beseech the Normal students and also the College students to be vigilant to their opportunity, and devoted to their responsibility in this connection.

INCREASE MEMBERSHIP OF G. C. A. A.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to circularize annually all eligible persons, whether graduates or former students, regarding the importance of joining the G. C. A. A., and that necessary expense money for same be hereby authorized.

DOUGLAS CRAIG

WHEREAS, The late Douglas Craig, whose skin was black but whose soul was white, and who was for over half a century a part of college life and a friendly link between the old and the new, and

WHEREAS, His going to the land of lights leaves us with a feeling that something of real sentimental value is gone from the Green, be it

Resolved, That we deplore his passing and take it with a sense of personal loss. May the light perpetual shine upon him.

GIFTS FROM SENIOR CLASSES

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the gifts that have been made to the College by the last few senior classes, and commend this practice as a laudable example for future classes.

MOTION PICTURE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, The Committee on Motion Pictures has, through the production of suitable films, done much to advance the honor of the College among the schools and their forward-looking young people, be it

Resolved, That the work of the Committee be highly commended, and that the Committee be authorized to continue its splendid efforts.

ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Resolved, That the deep appreciation of the Association be tendered the Faculty for its successful efforts to raise the academic standards of the College, and be it

Resolved further, That we stand for the highest attainable standards of education for the deaf.

THE BUFF AND BLUE

Resolved, That we renew our support of the good old *Buff and Blue* and urge all Alumni and former students to send in their subscriptions and to contribute articles and news items.

E. M. G. FUND

Resolved, That we express renewed support of the E. M. G. Fund, commend the Trustees and Ways and Means Committee for past achievements, and urge that the good work go on.

N. A. D.

Resolved, That we extend fraternal greetings to the N. A. D., through its President, Marcus L. Kenner, here present, and reaffirm our hearty sympathy in the high aims of this pioneer association of the deaf.

THANKS

Resolved, That the appreciation of the Association be tendered President Hall, and the officers of the College, who during this Reunion have so ably upheld their reputation for hospitality.

Resolved, That we commend the excellent service rendered by our officers during the past quadrennium.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association be hereby tendered the District of Columbia Chapter for its splendid arrangements which have made this Reunion so profitable and enjoyable.

The election of officers resulted in selections as follows: President, Tom L. Anderson, Iowa; First Vice-President, Mrs. Oleta Jacobson, Ohio; Second Vice-President, Edwin W. Nies, New York; Secretary, Henry J. Pulver, Philadelphia; Treasurer, Charles D. Seaton, West Virginia.

Mr. Seaton has filled the office of treasurer for the past twelve years with the greatest efficiency and there is no prospect of his being relieved of that office.

Saturday evening, the 16th Reunion Banquet of the Association was held at the Garden House of the Dodge Hotel. Here the members and guests to the number of quite near 200 assembled in an exquisite garden wherein nature exhibited all its inviting beauty. An excellent menu was enjoyed, after which came the speeches, with Dr. Hall as toastmaster. Addresses were made by Dr. T. F. Fox, Mrs. Agatha Hanson, Emil Ladner and Tom L. Anderson.

In opening the "flow of soul," Dr. Hall as toastmaster, begged consideration that it was his first effort as a toastmaster, but the lively manner in which he introduced the speakers with the comical quips and stories he interlarded showed him to be a master in this line of introducing post-prandial speakers. The addresses were finely rendered and full of sound judgment, particularly as to the remarks of Mr. Tom Anderson, Mrs. Hanson and Mr. Ladner; the rendering of "At Dear Old Gallaudet" by Mr. Lewis C. LaFontaine was the hit of the evening. The program closed with "Auld Lang Syne" by Miss Verna Thompson. In the success of the reunion credit is due to Messrs. Roy J. Stewart and Frederick H. Hughes, who were alert and on the *qui vive* to see that things ran along smoothly.

MICHIGAN

It, sure, is good to be back in the Dynamic City again. Oh my, the delightful thought, the joyful feeling and sweet smell of dear old Detroit's atmosphere!

But when, on our way down, May 13th, we (Mr. and Mrs. Heide and I) passed the big brick building of St. Mark's Church where the good ladies of the Guild of St. Barnabas' Mission were busily serving the crowds with delicious strawberries at the festival in the Parish House, we almost could smell the fresh flavor of the berries and were tempted to stop and get in, but regretfully time forbade it.

From Washington, D. C., to Detroit the highways were full of "House on Wheels" trailers. Today, it seems, the Americans are living on wheels.

In Detroit everybody looked fine as ever, and everything runs swiftly as usual, as the place is known as "The Dynamic City."

The lady members of the League of Ephphatha Episcopal Mission of St. John's Church celebrated their twentieth anniversary, honoring the founder and chartered members with a glorious banquet. It was held on Friday night of May 22d, in the Parish House of St. John's Church. Over sixty attended. The banquet started at 7:30, with Rev. Mr. Waters' grace.

Four long tables were placed together making one square table, which was decorated with cut flowers and two birthday cakes having ten candles in each.

The menu was tempting. Mrs. Joel Piatt, general chairman, and her committee, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Senowa, Mrs. Mahl and Mrs. Schneider, were congratulated for the arrangement of the good banquet.

Soon after the banquet, the tables were cleared and Rev. Mr. I. C. Johnson, hearing pastor of the St. John's Church, opened with the invocation, after which Rev. Mr. Waters made the address of welcome. Mrs. May, who was toastmistress, made a few witty remarks in introducing each speaker.

Mrs. Louis Wilhelm, a graduate of the Illinois School for the Deaf, gave a beautiful rendition of "America" in effective signs, all standing.

Rev. Mr. I. C. Johnson gave an address of an hour on the welfare of Detroit and the church. He was given a round of applause.

Mrs. H. B. Waters, the first president of the organization, gave reminiscences since the Guild was established. The names of the dead and living were praised in her speech.

A letter of congratulations from the Ladies of the Guild of St. Barnabas' Mission of St. Mark's Church of Washington was read and loudly cheered. Then Mr. E. M. Bristol, who is the charter member of the Flint Guild organization, spoke on the Guild, the school and the deaf, which were interesting and instructive.

Mrs. Colby gave her talk on "Mrs. Gertrude Ethel Maxwell Nelson, the founder of the Guild." Mr. George Davies, an old resident of Detroit recited "Yankee Doodle," which brought a roar of laughter from all. Mrs. Fred Affeldt gave "The Star Spangled Banner" in a clear sign, with all standing. The merry banquet closed with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Waters.

Mrs. Grace Davis Lacey acted as general interpreter. She is a dear friend of the whole deaf in Detroit, being a daughter of the late Superintendent Dudley of the Colorado School for the Deaf. The portrait of the late founder, Mrs. G. E. M. Nelson, with other portraits of the charter members, were hung on the front wall of the platform.

After the close of the program, gifts in shape of fine linen handkerchiefs were given to those who have been faithful members since the organization by Mrs. Joel Piatt, general chairman. They were Miss Stark,

Miss Panka, and Mesdames Waters, Colby, May, Jones, McNulty and Schneider.

Every deaf resident of Michigan State is receiving a questionnaire blank from the officers of the Michigan Association of the Deaf (Flint) to fill out and return to the secretary for tabulation.

It states that "the officers are inaugurating a survey of the deaf in Michigan with the idea of ascertaining how they stand in the various phases of their social life and of developing their condition or helping them to better opportunities in life."

The show given by the Chicago All-Star Silent players at the Parish House of St. John's Church last month kept the deaf community talking about it for a long while after.

The Detroit Chapter, M. A. D., had a meeting at Gerow's Hall on Sunday, May 14th. Some important business was transacted. Several letters were read touching upon the system of teaching the deaf, the blind and others. Messrs. Bristol and Tripp of Flint, were present to help along in the discussion.

This week men are tearing down the front part of the building of St. John's Church, moving it back farther, due to the Woodward Avenue widening. At present the services of St. John's Mission are held in the Parish House until the new church is completed in the fall.

The front part of the building of the Baptist Church on Woodward Avenue, where the deaf worshipped, was torn down and re-modelled last spring and is now completed. It is a picture of beauty. The services are held regularly there now, but will be closed the last week of June.

Games and refreshments, combined with smiling blue skies, made a perfect day for the outing of St. John's Ephphatha Episcopal Mission at Belle Isle on May 30th. A long table was covered with appetizing foods furnished by the ladies of the League, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Jones. Some odd games were played and prizes were given.

The Detroit Bowlers' League have taken Terrace Gardens, E. Jefferson Avenue, Mt. Clemens, for their coming annual outing on August 1st.

Detroit Division, No. 2, N. F. S. D., has secured Carpathia Park, corner Mound Avenue and Van Dyke Avenue, for their annual picnic on July 25th.

The Cadillac Association of the Deaf recently moved to another, better and well ventilated hall on Woodward near Sibley Avenues.

There is a new club "Idle Hour," where a selected group of ladies of Detroit and nearby meet to play "500" every other week. The last meeting was held at the cozy home of Mrs. John Berry, of Royal Oak, April 15th, where the members of the Flint "U" Club were invited. A big and glorious time was had.

A birthday surprise party was tendered Mrs. Jennie Plank at her cozy home by her old friends, Saturday night, June 6th. She was remembered with many pretty gifts. A birthday dinner was prepared by eight ladies. They sat, ate and talked of old times.

Mr. Alex Lobsinger has just secured a position as a job printer in Wyandotte, forty miles from Detroit.

The popular Detroit Association of the Deaf, the oldest social club for the deaf in Michigan, is still popular with a large number of the deaf. It is open every day. Visitors from far and near are always welcome. Sunday, June 21st, this club will have its annual boat excursion to Put-in-Bay. Come and have a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rheiner are now living in their new home on Illinois Street, which they recently bought. A host of friends are preparing to give them a housewarming.

Mr. Leo H. Kuehn, of Royal Oak, Mich., was at the meeting of the M. A. D., May 4th. He owns and manages the Oakland Machine Works in Royal Oak.

Mrs. R. H. MacLachlan, an old subscriber of the JOURNAL, entertained Mesdames Heide, Colby and Jones to a sumptuous dinner at her pleasant home on Livernois Avenue recently.

The Ephphatha Episcopal Mission of St. John's Church will hold services at Belle Isle, Sunday morning, June 21st, with Rev. Mr. Waters. They, then, will eat and enjoy the fresh air in the cool woods all day. Everybody is cordially invited. They also will hold services in the park of the waterworks, Sunday all day, June 28th.

Mrs. Louis Wilhelm returned home from Illinois recently, where she went to attend two funerals of her 82-year-old mother and 78-year-old aunt. When Mrs. Wilhelm arrived home, her husband was suddenly called to Illinois upon the death of his brother. The community extend their sincere sympathy to the couple.

Mrs. C. C. COLBY.

Kansas City, Mo.

The W. P. A. night school for the deaf closed May 27th for the summer. The school was highly successful, as witness the attendance of 763 in five months. The record is better than that of last year in which 750 attended for the period of eight months. The school has been visited by persons from points as far as Philadelphia, Pa.; St. Paul, Minn.; Kansas City, Kan.; Blackwell, Okla.; Council Bluffs, Iowa; Holt, Mo.; Almont, Mo., and Gallatin, Mo.

Before the school closed, certificates of attendance and achievement were awarded to pupils who attended the W. P. A. school almost regularly. William J. Marra, the teacher, said we would have school again early in the fall. He said there would be two schools for the adult deaf of Kansas City in the fall—one for the whites and the other for colored.

Mrs. Harold Price went to Fulton, Mo., May 21st, to attend the commencement exercises at the school for the deaf. At the end of the exercises, her brother, Joe C. Bowman, a graduate, accompanied her to Kansas City. He then went to St. Joseph, where he expects to stay all summer.

After remaining a full half-century as the faithful and sympathetic teacher of the Missouri School for the Deaf, Mr. Charles M. Grow retired a month ago. A gift of fifty dollars from the deaf in Missouri was presented to him.

After being laid off temporarily from a W. P. A. project here, Darrel O. Wefing is now working on a camp at Kaiser, Mo., which is situated in the Ozark Mountains. He writes he is satisfied with everything there as he is getting plenty of food and fresh air.

The Sphinx Literary Club held its usual monthly meeting, June 3rd, at the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Clem V. Dillenschneider gave a short amusing story, "Fur Coat." Following the story, President Marra announced that there would be a story-telling contest at the Clem V. Dillenschneider's home next month, the winner to get a trophy for the first place, and the other winners to get prizes different from a trophy for the second and third places, respectively.

June 7th, the writer went to Nevada, Mo., where he paid a brief visit to his grandparents living on the farm, abounding in poultry, grain, vegetables, etc. Eldon W. Wallace of Montevallo, Mo., was there to visit the writer.

Rev. Henry S. Rutherford, Chicago, was expected to be in Kansas City, June 14th, but he changed his plans, so he could attend the reunion of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association at Washington. Fremont S. Offerle took his place as lecturer at the deaf department of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

E. W.

June 14th.

Empire State Convention

Editor of the Journal:

Now that the date for the Empire State Association of the Deaf convention has been selected August 21 to 23, may I respectfully urge your readers to make arrangements to attend it in great numbers. None will deny that the need for a State Association is great. In no other State have conditions as affecting the deaf deteriorated so dangerously. Nowhere else are the deaf so disorganized as in New York. In this I err, for the deaf here are over-organized. Trouble is, no single organization among the myriads can justly claim being the voice of deafdom as a whole. Therein lies our weakness.

A strong State Association, backed by the rank and file and supported by other organizations, can do things that a dozen conflicting organizations or 10,000 individual deaf persons cannot do.

I urge the deaf of our state to forget sectionalism, petty differences, personal dislikes and downright indifference and substitute therefor a united front. Then only can we fight for our rights as human beings and win our battles.

The deaf of New York State are intelligent and well able to solve their own problems without resorting to extremes. What they need is a strong state Association, officered by workers, able people who can present their problems to the powers that be without waxing abusive.

New York City has a committee composed of Misses Eleanor Sherman and Elizabeth McLeod; Messrs. Jere V. Fives, Jack M. Ebin and James H. Quinn, who are now preparing for special buses to take residents to the convention. In due time this committee will make announcements about special rates for convention visitors. I urge all who are able to attend during the week-end of August 21 to 23 to get in touch with any of above-mentioned. I believe the round-trip fare from New York City will be between \$5 and \$6 and hotel rates will be proportionately low. The locale of the convention will be Binghamton, N. Y., which is centrally located and an ideal location for a state convention. Those in charge are members of the Binghamton Branch of the N. A. D. But it must be understood that the N. A. D. has nothing to do with this convention. We need a responsible organization to handle arrangements. The writer feels sure the N. A. D. will lend its support—when and if needed.

This is your big opportunity to help yourself and your fellow deaf. What do you intend to do about it? ALTON L. SEDLOW.

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The Gallaudet Home

Reprinted from the pamphlet prepared by Rev. G. C. Braddock on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Gallaudet Home.

FOREWORD

Fifty years have passed since the Gallaudet Home was opened, on its present site, to the aged and infirm deaf of New York State. During this half century, it has been their sole haven of security. It has meant to them home, sustenance and society. It has protected them from the rigors of life that threatened the peace of their last years. It has given them a refuge and a resting-place within the Everlasting Arms. It has been the scene of their final happiness, and the burial place of all their cares and troubles. It has rescued many of them from the cold hearthstone of inhospitality, and from the massed isolation of city and county poorhouses. In its rural setting, it has presented the beauties of God's world to those whose lives of toil and struggle had long deprived them of this solace. It has fulfilled its mission, and has been a blessing to the deaf.

This booklet has been compiled in connection with the celebration of the Golden Anniversary at the Home. Its ostensible purpose is to serve as a souvenir of the pleasant excursion of visitors to the Home on this occasion. But it may also be of value to the present generation as a souvenir of the historical past. It will set forth the circumstances of the founding of the Gallaudet Home, and exhibit the spirit of love which moved men fifty years ago to establish this now venerable institution. In building the Gallaudet Home, our predecessors attempted a difficult undertaking, and carried it to completion, for the sake of future generations as well as their own. Knowing how hard these men worked in their day, and having the beneficent result of their labors still evident to our eyes, to-day, how can we fail to acquire a keener interest in our fellow-men, and continue our aid to such worthy enterprises as the Gallaudet Home?

May this Anniversary which we are celebrating be, not merely a milestone, but a bridge, over which the faith and courage of the pioneers will pass into our hearts for the accomplishment of the many tasks that remain to be done.

1872—THE BEGINNINGS

The history of an institution can always be obtained by looking up dates and events. But who can trace the history of a thought? Long before there was a home for aged and infirm deaf-mutes, there was the thought of one, based on the need and the desire for such an innovation. In his Anniversary Discourse on October 2d, 1853, the Reverend Thomas Gallaudet, Rector of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, was led to say that "the time would come when we should need a Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-mutes." This is the earliest record found; and the date is almost twenty years before plans were made for the Gallaudet Home. In the mind of Dr. Gallaudet had been created a hitherto unknown type of charitable institution, and a name had already been given to it.

It was inevitable that the notion of a home for aged deaf-mutes should have occurred to the saintly Dr. Gallaudet in 1853 or before that date. The New York School for the Deaf had been established since 1818, and the first pupils of that school had reached maturity, had sought their living in an adverse world and had attained middle age; and some of them were now faced with the threat of a penniless old age after their working abilities began to desert them. There were already cases of deaf-mutes who were also blind or paralyzed or otherwise incapacitated.

The general subject of homes for special classes of people was a passion with Dr. Gallaudet. The New York Home for Incurables was organized in 1867 by Dr. Gallaudet and the Reverend Washington Rodman and others, who held their organization meeting in the Sunday School Room of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes. He was also interested in beginning the Home for Consumptives and also the Home for Old Men and Aged Couples. Therefore, when at last opportunity was presented to begin plans for a home for aged and infirm deaf-mutes, Dr. Gallaudet brought considerable experience to bear upon the matter. He enlisted prominent persons in the project: among them Dr. Isaac Lewis Peet, Principal of the New York School for the Deaf.

When the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes was organized, in 1872, it was pledged to include within its operations the care and support of a Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes. Shortly afterwards, a temporary home was established in New York City, in a rented-house at 220 East 13th Street. In this narrow, three-story building were housed nine people—four men and five women—under the care of the Matron, Miss Jane Middleton. One of the men was a paralytic, and three of the women were young but possessed of defective eye-sight which rendered them unable to earn their living.

At first, the Home was intended to be national in scope. The Church Mission, the

sponsoring society, was at the time working in all parts of the United States, and the missionaries frequently came across destitute deaf persons who were worthy of aid. In 1873 a man from Erie, Pennsylvania, was entered in the Home in New York City.

On April 29th, 1874, the Church Mission appointed a committee to start a building fund for a "National Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes." This committee was composed of the seven deaf men who were on the Board of Trustees of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes. At their head, as Chairman of the Building Fund Committee, was Mr. John Carlin, one of the most talented deaf-mutes of the century. He had been educated at the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, in Philadelphia, and had obtained such a mastery of the English language that he could write poetry. He had come to New York City at a very early age to begin his career as a free-lance artist, and was noted for his paintings in miniature. The first degree conferred by the National Deaf-Mute College in the year of its establishment, 1864, was a honorary Master of Arts given to John Carlin in recognition of his remarkable attainments.

The other members of the Building Fund Committee were Messrs. Charles S. Newell, Jr., William O. Fitzgerald, Franklin Campbell, James Lewis, Henry J. Haight and Gustav Fersenheim. All of these men were prominent in the deaf community centering about St. Ann's Church. To raise money for the proposed National Home, the Committee authorized "resident agents" in each state of the Union, with power to appoint "sub-agents" in the various cities. The duty of these men was to solicit and to collect contributions of five cents or more each week from all deaf-mutes within their territory, as well as from the hearing public. The fountain-pen had not yet been invented, and all agents were solemnly bound to carry a portable inkstand and pens as well as a receipt-book for the use of donors to the Fund. (Any agent failing to do was to be "replaced by a more competent person.")

1885—COMPLETION OF THE BUILDING FUND

The idea of a National Home was soon abandoned. Sub-agents had been instructed to report all aged or infirm deaf-mutes found in their localities, and such a number was discovered, that it would have been impossible to put all under one roof. The New England deaf decided to establish an Industrial Home of their own in Massachusetts. Fewer donations to the Building Fund came in from outside New York. In 1876 the Building Fund Committee omitted the word "National" from their letter-heads and reports. The temporary home in New York City continued to receive applicants from other states until 1880, when it was decided to charge two hundred dollars annually for persons not resident in New York City.

The after-effects of the panic of 1873 slowed down the accumulations for the Building Fund, and in the years after 1877 it was increasing mainly by bank interest accruing from the deposits. St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes borrowed \$3,745.00 in 1877 and 1878 from the Building Fund in order to carry the church through a difficult period. On October 2d, 1881, the Building Fund Committee voted its own dissolution, and turned over to the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes a total of \$6,958.67 collected from all sources. This included \$1,833.00 which Dr. Peet had collected separately through the pupils of his school and their parents, and through the co-operation of superintendents of the other state schools for the deaf in the United States and Canada.

In 1883, the Building Fund entered upon a second stage of activity. The Bible Class of St. Ann's Church became the new agents for solicitation of funds, under the leadership of Mr. Samuel M. Brown and Miss Sarah Howard, its teachers. The brick plan was adopted: cards were printed representing one brick in the building of the Home, and these were offered for two dollars each. In the two years of its application, this plan added \$1,343.45 to the Building Fund. Legacies and bequests brought the Fund to a total of \$14,000.00 in 1885. Dr. Gallaudet and Dr. Peet had fixed the goal at \$30,000.00, for building a house commodious enough to admit the aged and infirm and to provide an "Industrial Department for Unfortunate Able-bodied Deaf-Mutes." But an event now occurred which made it necessary to purchase property without further delay.

1886—REMOVAL TO PRESENT LOCATION

The temporary home on 13th Street in New York City had been struggling against increasingly difficult circumstances. The rent was one hundred dollars a month, and the Matron, Miss Middleton, had been working without salary. The twelve residents of the Home had found a good friend in Dr. Mark H. Williams, a son of deaf parents, who gave his services as house physician without charge. Miss Middleton died in 1885, and the Rev. John Chamberlain, Assistant Missionary, was placed in charge of the Home in the emergency of the moment. The rent was \$800.00 in arrears. It was decided to make the long-contemplated change to a country house.

Negotiations were made for a farm of 156 acres on the Hudson River, between Poughkeepsie and New Hamburg. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Nichols of

Brooklyn, asked the sum of \$29,000.00 for the property. The amount in the Building Fund was paid, and a mortgage of \$15,000.00 completed the purchase.

The residents of the temporary home were escorted to their new surroundings in the spring and summer of 1886, as alterations were finished in the former Nichols house. The first five residents arrived on April 22d, escorted by Dr. Chamberlain. Six more reached the new haven on May 5th, and four others in June. The official opening of the "Gallaudet Home"—as it was named thereafter—was held on June 17th, 1886. The dedicatory address was made by Dr. Peet. Some of the deaf who had worked assiduously to raise the Building Fund were present to witness the joyful result of their labors.

The next few years saw several experiments in the management of the Home. During the first year, Mr. George W. Schutt, a deaf man of Saugerties, N. Y., was House Superintendent. In 1877, Mr. Clement R. Thomson was made Resident Manager, and held that post for two years. There was also a Matron, Miss Hattie Foland, who was assisted by her sister, Miss Libby Foland, as Housekeeper. The oversight of domestic affairs was in the hands of a Board of Lady Managers, composed of residents of Poughkeepsie and vicinity. The first members of this Board were Mrs. C. M. Nelson, Mrs. R. Fulton Crary, Mrs. Charles H. Roberts and Mrs. John Thomson. The general oversight of the property was entrusted to a Standing Committee composed of Dr. Gallaudet, several members of the Board of Lady Managers, and several Trustees of the Church Mission.

Through the exertion of Mr. Thomson, the mortgage was reduced one-half in the ensuing two years. It was finally paid off in 1891, through an anonymous gift. Another anonymous gift of ten thousand dollars gave the Endowment Fund a start in 1893. In the same year, a new wing was added to the Home building to accommodate a larger number of residents.

The office of Manager or Superintendent was abolished in 1889, and the Matron was given sole responsibility. After Miss Foland, who served in 1888, there was a succession of Matrons, as follows: Mrs. Ross, Miss Ada Magee, Miss H. Bishop, Mrs. Sophia Nicholson, Mrs. Edith A. Davis, Miss Kleinhans, Mrs. Benjamin, Dr. Anna C. Howland, Mrs. Ransom, Miss Brink and Mrs. C. P. Rightmyer; the last named serving from 1902 to 1904. The farm department was first entrusted to Mr. James R. Graham. He was succeeded by Mr. Charles Gardner in 1888. In 1902 Mr. Henry Kramer was appointed, and in 1911 Mr. Ingalls. About 1917, the farm passed into the hands of the present administrator, Mr. Samuel Gardner.

In 1898 Dr. Gallaudet's co-worker, Dr. Peet, was taken away by death. He left a legacy of one hundred dollars to start a special fund for the Home. Two-thirds of the interest from this fund was to be expended annually. In 1901, another hundred dollars was added by Miss Elizabeth Peet, in memory of her mother. The "Peet Fund," as it was designated, has received other bequests from time to time, and now amounts to over a thousand dollars.

Since the establishment of the Home, various churches, individuals and benevolent societies of Poughkeepsie and Wappingers Falls have shown their interest by occasional or yearly contributions of money, clothing, or food. From 1886 to 1895 the deaf had a "Society in Aid of the Gallaudet Home." It began with 347 members pledging one dollar a year to the Home, and it raised the following sums during its existence: by annual subscriptions, \$1,096.00; fairs, \$2,614.88; lectures, \$189.35; other socials, \$348.06; excursions to the Gallaudet Home, \$868.64. The fairs were held at St. Ann's Church, New York City, and St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn.

1900—DISASTER AND REBUILDING

Every good institution has its set-backs as well as its successes. The greatest misfortune that ever befell the Gallaudet Home was the fire which, on the night of February 18th, 1900, laid the house in ruins and left only the stone walls standing like an empty shell. All of the twenty-six old men and women were saved from harm by the heroic efforts of the Matron, Mrs. Howland, and her staff of servants, aided by Mr. Samuel Gardner and Miss Gardner, children of the Home farmer. The residents were sheltered in the farm-house until morning, and then taken to Poughkeepsie, where they were housed in the City Home until May 4th. By that time a house had been rented—the Pelton Mansion—where it was possible to restore to them their former degree of comfort.

A legacy of \$137,000.00 had been left to the Gallaudet Home by Mr. Charles H. Contoit, only a few days before the disaster; and this stroke of good fortune alleviated the unhappiness of the fire. Insurance was collected, to the amount of \$22,000.00. Plans were immediately made to rebuild the Home on the same site. The rebuilding took three years of time, and \$78,000.00 of the funds; but the result was a larger and better edifice. Dr. Gallaudet did not live to see the completion of this work, as he departed this world in 1902; but his last days were gladdened by the knowledge that the Home was to be restored, under

the direction of Messrs. John I. Platt and George Wood of Poughkeepsie, who were the Committee on Rebuilding.

The residents—twenty in number—were moved into the new house on March 16th, 1903. Dedicatory exercises were held on June 3d, the birthday anniversary of the departed Founder. It was the first "Founder's Day," and has been celebrated annually at the Home ever since, with only one omission—in 1918, during the World War.

The new building was made thoroughly fire-proof, and has suffered no further conflagrations. New furniture was donated by friends of the Home. The deaf at St. Ann's Church in New York City raised twenty-five dollars by means of a Valentine Festival towards furnishing the main Reception Room for the use of visitors and for meetings of the Trustees and Lady Managers.

1904—CONTINUED GROWTH

In the new Home, a large room was set aside as a Chapel for the use of the visiting clergymen and for the daily morning and evening prayers of the residents. In 1904, the Hollywood Club of Deaf-Mutes, of Yonkers, N. Y., contributed an altar in memory of Dr. Gallaudet, a chancel chair in memory of William Cochrane, and an alms bason in memory of Dr. Peet. The deaf of Buffalo and Rochester gave a brass altar book-rest, and the Gallaudet family gave a silver Communion set. The Hollywood Club also contributed a chancel rail, altar hangings, kneeling cushions, and chairs for the congregation, thus making the Chapel furnishings complete.

Mrs. Kate M. Jones was appointed Matron in 1904, and eventually continued in that office for twenty years. She and her assistant, Miss E. B. Johnston, are held highly in memory for their wise and sympathetic administration. There were at one time twenty-nine or thirty residents in the Home, with varied demands for care. Three of the men were blind as well as deaf, and for their benefit the attic rooms of the Home were outfitted as shops for chair caning, mattress repairing and carpentry. Many other improvements were made. Electric lights were installed in the Home in 1916; gas and candles having been used up to that time. In 1920 the horse and buggy at the Home were supplanted by a Ford station-wagon.

In 1922, on the first Saturday in June, over two hundred deaf people from the City gathered at the Home to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes. They joined with the residents of the Home in an open-air service conducted by the Rev. John H. Kent and the vested choir of St. Ann's Church for the Deaf.

In 1927, Miss Myra L. Barrager, a retired teacher of New York School for the Deaf, was appointed Social Worker for the Church Mission. She included the women of the Gallaudet Home in her labors of love, making regular visits to advise them in their problems and to study their needs. In consequence of her efforts, numerous improvements in the facilities of the Home were brought into being, adding greatly to the comfort of the residents.

1931—HARD TIMES

Even an institution such as a home for the aged shares in a general economic disturbance. While at the same time it is a refuge from the poverty that is created by industrial depressions, the Home cannot avoid the effects of such contingencies. The income for maintenance purposes depends on the condition of the Endowment Fund investments. 1931 and the years after were unfortunate for such holdings; the sudden fall in real estate values so depleted the income of the Gallaudet Home that money had to be borrowed to keep going. In 1930, five new residents were admitted to the Home, and nine during the succeeding three years. Most of these aged people had lost their jobs on account of the depression, after years of self-support. To these men and women shipwrecked on the seas of life, the Home was a welcome harbor. But even there they were aware of the universal need of economy. For instance, the barber service at the Home was stopped, in order to save a matter of one hundred and eighty dollars annually. The customary Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas entertainments were threatened with abolition, but the kind donations of various churchly and benevolent societies, private individuals and members of the Board of Lady Managers made possible their continuation year after year. Trifles make a considerable difference in the lives of old folks, and the slightest change in habits is hardship; so it can be said that they felt the pressure of hard times almost as intensely as their younger brethren in the outside world. Fewer of their friends could afford to visit them at the Home, and the packages of gifts from relatives became more infrequent. Free subscriptions of newspapers were stopped, and the threat of complete isolation loomed over the heads of the residents, until the teachers of the New York School for the Deaf contributed several daily papers and magazines. In 1934 a financial campaign was undertaken to raise money for the Home. The deaf in New York City and other populous centers contributed, individually and through their various social organizations. About two thousand dollars was secured within twelve months, from deaf and hearing sources combined.

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PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to Howard S. Ferguson, 250 W. Sparks St., Olney, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Mt. Airy School sent out one of its largest classes, 21 in number, into the world of experience at its Commencement Exercises on Friday evening, June 12. The program, first planned to be held on the lawn back of Gilpin Hall, had to be moved inside to the gymnasium, when a sudden shower chased everybody indoors.

With Mr. Robert Toland, President of the Board of Directors, officiating as chairman, the exercises opened with the Lord's Prayer, led by Robert G. Fleming, Jr., Class President. In order followed the Salutatory (spoken by Miss Irene Egry) by Mr. Milton Savage; address to the graduates by Mr. Elbert A. Gruver; conferring diplomas and distributing prizes by President Toland; the Valedictory, (read orally by Miss Nellie Mescol) by Miss Vera Deyscher, and the benediction by the entire class. Following are the names of the graduates:

Cornelia Bisciotti, Joseph Bolton, Vera Deyscher, Irene Egry, Humbert Elia, Robert Flemings, Jr., Israel Goldstein, Michael Genuardi, William Janney, Louis Kolman, Laberta Maza, Nellie Mescol, Robert Porte, Jr., Irene Peterman, Charles Reed, Mary Reiland, Milton Savage, Michael Del Vecchio, Frances Wigman, Amando Zerbe, Edward Zabiegalski.

Besides these 21 graduates, vocational certificates, signifying completion of a trade course, were given to seven boys. They were: Elmer Caswell, printing; Thomas Evans, tailoring; Clifford Haas, painting; Willard R. Miller, barbering; Walter Pickle, painting; Aloysius Guigley, tailoring; and Carl Reckner, tailoring.

Dr. Gruver, our retiring Superintendent, in his address to the graduates, delivered a very forceful talk, that was very interesting to all who listened. In his address Dr. Gruver stressed five purposes of a school for the deaf: (1) To give the deaf child a sense of social responsibility, (2) To give the deaf child vocational efficiency, (3) To make the deaf child economically independent, (4) To give a deaf child a religious perception, (5) To help a deaf child in ethical interpretation.

On Sunday, June 7th, to take advantage of a beautiful day, the Misses Ruth Peterman and Eleanor Shore, in company with the Messrs. Ben Urofsky and Leroy Gerhard, motored up to West Point, to visit Miss Peterman's brother, Cadet Hipps, a noted end on the Army football eleven. Through his courtesy, the four spent the entire day going over the grounds and buildings of the famed military academy. What impressed them most was the dress parade of the entire Cadet Corps, held in the late afternoon.

Twenty years after being handed their sheepskins by their Alma Mater, P. I. D., the class of 1916, gathered once again in reunion at the home of the Hugh J. Cusacks of Olney, to make merry and to reminisce of days gone by. This took place on the evening of June 13th, and the following are those who attended, accompanied by their husbands or wives: Mrs. Charles A. Smith, nee Mary R. Pennell, of Shenandoah; Mrs. G. Hing, nee Mary E. Golden; Mr. Eugene McQueen, of New York; Miss Gladys C. Bates; Mr. James L. Jennings, Mr. Albert Darlington; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Cusack, nee Grace Lindgren; and Miss Adele O'Dea. Both of the Cusacks are of the '16 Class.

Among the absentees were Mr. J. Goldstein, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Miss Esther Wolf, of Detroit, Mich., both of whom could not come owing to the great distance away. Another one, Mr. Howard Cockill, could not be located, as nobody has seen or heard of his whereabouts since leaving school.

Among those in New York City on the 13th of June for the N. A. D. Dance were the Misses Alice Young and Martha Bauerle, and the Messrs. Harold Haskins and Robert Coley. While there, they had the pleasure of meeting Miss Charlotte Lamberton, the deaf dancer, and being her guests at the Hollywood Restaurant.

THE GALLAUDET HOME

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1936—PRESENT STATUS OF THE GALLAUDET HOME

The Gallaudet Home now cares for a total of twenty-five men and women. There are accommodations for several more, and room can be made for as many as fifty residents whenever necessary. Lack of space has never been a problem; but lack of sufficient income has prevented many admissions. The admissions fee is five hundred dollars, and at the present time constitutes the *sine qua non* for entering the Home. Applicants must be at least sixty years of age, in sound mind, and reasonably healthy for their age.

The Gallaudet Home receives a small and variable annual income from endowment funds and investments. This is insufficient for all purposes, and were it not for legacies, donations, admission fees and food sales, the enterprise would fail. The Home receives no financial aid from state or county funds, being entirely a private institution. Despite the difficulty of securing adequate income, every effort is made to provide comfortable rooms and good board for all of the residents. The heating system is excellent, and the house is fire-proof and well sheltered against the winter storms. The domestic staff is efficient, consisting of Matron, Assistant Matron, nurse, nightwatchman, janitor, cook and maid. The premises are kept in neat and orderly condition at all times, and the home-like atmosphere is the pride of the establishment. Occasional entertainments are held—birthday celebrations or lawn parties—out of special funds donated for these purposes; and these bring delight into the lives of the elderly residents.

The present Matron is Miss Katharine Martin, and the Assistant Matron is Miss Lula Allen. They have been in charge of the Home for the past ten years, faithfully performing the domestic duties and looking after the welfare of the residents. A high standard of cleanliness and comfort has resulted from their labors. The farmer, Mr. Samuel Gardner, keeps the land cultivated and the kitchen supplied with eggs, milk and vegetables. By the sale of excess farm products something is added to the income of the Home. These commodities find a ready market in the city of Poughkeepsie and the town of Wappingers Falls. The herd of Holstein cows at the Gallaudet Home is one of the best in the locality, being kept to the requirements of the health code.

Visitors to the Gallaudet Home are likely to remark on the wonderful scenic advantages of the location. The grounds are entered through a gateway against a background of tall trees. The road winds along under a leafy canopy, until a creek is crossed on a rustic bridge. Here the farmhouse comes into view, flanked by the barns, silo and poultry dwellings. The road skirts the barnyard in a second wide curve, and comes at last, through another tree-lined arcade, to the Mansion House in which the aged inhabitants reside. From the circular driveway in front of the house, the eye feasts upon the spacious lawn bordered here and there with flowers, then upon the rolling hills descending downward to the mighty Hudson River which appears as a silver streak in the distance. A pathway leads from the other side of the house, past cornfields and berry patches, to the little cemetery in which repose three generations of people, former residents of the Home. A tombstone marks the location of each grave.

Inside the house, there is a bedroom for each elderly person and each member of the domestic staff. The men occupy one wing; the women another. The middle portion of the house is occupied by the Matron's quarters, the reception room and library, and the stairways and elevator. There is an infirmary for the sick, with the nurse's bedroom adjoining. There are, on the ground floor, sitting-room for the men and women, a large dining-room, a smoking room for the men, and the chapel in which occasional religious services are held.

The facilities of the Home are, indeed, much greater than they were when it was first opened in 1886. But, on this occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary, the financial condition of the Gallaudet Home is much as it was then. It is hoped that friends of the Home, and the general public, will by their donations restore the Home to the financial stability which it enjoyed before the recent economic crisis. By virtue of its long history and its unique nature, the Gallaudet Home is worthy of the continued support of the community. The need for it is still felt among the deaf of New York State, and it should continue to serve for generations to come.

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Council Bluffs Division, No. 103, held a bridge and bunco party at the Y. M. C. A., Saturday evening, May 23d. Ideal weather prevailing, a record crowd of seventy-five turned out. There were nine tables at bridge and seven at bunco. A delegation of eighteen was present from Omaha. Mrs. Anton J. Netusil and Harry G. Long won the prizes for highest scores at bridge, a nut chopper and a basket of groceries, respectively. Mrs. LeRoy Wyckoff and Efford W. Johnson won the boobies. At bunco Miss Viola Gleeson and Mrs. Abe Rosenblatt, substituting for a man, won a pretty fudge apron and cigarette set, respectively. Mrs. G. Foreman and Fred Johnson were given the consolations. John Rabb was the most fortunate. He won the door prize, a handsome cabinet stand, the handiwork of Raymond Anderson. Jack Sprinkel won the door prize for children. By a coincidence four of the prize winners were from Omaha. Coffee and cake were served, and every one had a grand time. Francis Jacobson was chairman of the committee.

Despite disagreeable and rainy weather, a large crowd turned out at the Nebraska school auditorium, Friday evening, May 8th. Eugene Fry had advertised a movie show that should not be missed. He was presented with a tie from the Iowa school upper class for showing art drawings recently and a handsome necktie chain from the Omaha and Council Bluffs Owls for assisting in their recent movie shows. The movie, "Hills of Kentucky," with Rin Tin Tin, the wolf dog, was shown. It was a great and thrilling dog story. Pictures of a picnic by Beta Chapter, Kappa Gamma, held last summer with the members' wives and friends were also shown and proved interesting. These were taken by Eugene McConnell. He also threw a number of other scenes on the screen, showing his summer's trip in Colorado and elsewhere, and got a good teasing over scenes with his fiancée, Miss Iva Weisbrod. She just graduated from Gallaudet College and all their friends are looking forward to the not-far-distant wedding. Last on the screen was a comedy with Charlie Chaplin in "Dough and Dynamite," which was amusing. It was a good show and under the auspices of the Owls.

Closing exercises at the Nebraska school were held on the lawn June 11th. Emiel Schultz, of Lincoln, Neb., was the only graduate. Cash prizes were given the pupils who had achieved the most merits. Emiel won first prize \$5.00; Dorothy McKenzie, for girls, \$5.00. Second prizes went to Hazel Gerner and Roy Sparks, \$3.00 each; third prizes, \$2.00 each to Dwain Dyke, Doris Teller and Loretta Noble. The last two tied for the honors. The pupils had earned the prize money by selling candy.

Miss Katherine Slocum, who will have become the bride of Hans Neujahr when this letter is printed, was given miscellaneous showers by relatives at two different times.

A miscellaneous shower was given, June 10th, honoring Miss Wilma Delehoy, whose marriage to Paul Dwyer, of Nebraska City, Neb., takes place this month. Both are graduates of the Nebraska school. Miss Delehoy received many useful gifts. The hostesses were Mrs. Petersen and Miss Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Laursen motored to Kansas to visit relatives. They left their daughter there for a prolonged visit. On their way back they stopped at Beatrice, Neb., to see Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riecker, who are now living in a five-room house.

The N. C. A. D. is planning a picnic for Sunday, June 28th, at Seward, Neb., a few blocks west of the courthouse. Bring your own lunch along and tell your friends about this.

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